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BLOOMINGTON, Ill. – Illinois Wesleyan University senior Chao Ren was recently selected as the winner of the ASIANetwork's first annual Marianna McJimsey Award: 2011 Student Paper Competition.

Ren will receive the award for his paper, "Revisiting Tagore's Visit to China and India in the Early Twentieth Century," at the ASIANetwork Annual Conference April 15-17 in Oak Brook, Ill. The paper will also be published in the spring 2011 edition of the journal *ASIANetwork Exchange*.

According to their website, the ASIANetwork is a consortium of over 170 colleges in the United States. The organization attempts to strengthen the role of Asian Studies within the framework of liberal arts education in order to help prepare succeeding generations of undergraduates for a world in which Asian societies play prominent roles.

ASIANetwork also seeks to encourage the study of Asian countries and cultures on college campuses and to enable students and faculty to experience these cultures first hand.

Chao Ren spent his junior year at Pembroke College, University of Oxford as part of Illinois Wesleyan's **Pembroke Program**.

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